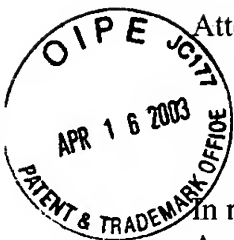


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AMENDMENT
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Sir:

Please amend the above-referenced application as follows:

In The Claims:

5. (Amended) Water soluble particles according to claim 1 wherein the coprecipitant is selected from inorganic salts, sugars, polysaccharides, carbohydrates, polyols, and derivatives thereof with a molecular weight of less than 10,000 Da;
amino-acids;
acid-base buffers;
zwitterionic compounds;
organic salts;
compounds containing multiple basic groups;
compounds containing multiple acidic groups;
bile salts;
water soluble dyes;
polar or ionic polymers; and
polar or ionic dendrimers.



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Transmitted herewith is an AMENDMENT in the above-identified patent application.

- ☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 C.F.R. § 1.27.
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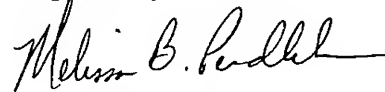
| (COL. 1) | | (COL. 2) | (COL. 3) | SMALL ENTITY | | OTHER THAN A SMALL ENTITY | |
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| TOTAL | * 51 | ** 42 | = 9 | X9= | \$ | X18= | \$ 162 |
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